Promotions to Sub-Assistant Surgeons.

213. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether any recommendations had been made by the previous Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer in respect of the promotions of Sub-Assistant Surgeons on the eve of his retirement;

(b) if the answer be in the affirmative will the Government be pleased to state what the specific recommendations were;

(c) whether the same was accepted as they were;

(d) if not, will the Government be pleased to state what modifications were made;

(e) whether such changes were made on the recommendations made by the present Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—(a) Yes.

(b) The recommendation was to give 3 appointments in the Assistant Surgeon's grade to the Sub-Assistant Surgeons,—two for men and one for women—as an incentive to zealous work and a prize to look forward to.

(c) to (e) The question is still under consideration.

Purchase of medicines and other supplies.

214. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total amount for which medicines and other supplies were purchased by the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer during the years 1105 and 1106 M. E. respectively;

(b) will the Government be pleased to state the names of the Firms from which the said purchases were made with the amounts and the dates noted against each purchase;

(c) does the Department call for tenders in all cases before final orders are given for the medicines and other supplies;

(d) if the answer is in the negative, will the Government be pleased to state why tenders are not called for in all cases;

(e) will the Government be pleased to place on the Council Table all the orders for the purchase of medicines and other supplies made in the latter half of 1106 and the year 1107 M. E. up-to-date;

(f) what is the total amount of such purchases made during that period?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—

(a) 1105—Rs. 1,09,511—14—11
1106—Rs. 1,10,652—6—3.

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(b) A statement containing the required information is appended (*Appendix XV*).

(c) and (d) The department calls for tenders in most cases, but there are certain items of proprietory articles, instruments, sundries, etc, wherein orders cannot be placed on the mere basis of tender. Hence a judicious selection has to be made with regard to the purchase of these items from special manufacturers.

(e) The files on the subject are placed on the table.

(f) The total expenditure comes to Rs. 34,841—10—10. As regards supplies for 1107, it is not possible to give the exact figure as supplies have not been made in full. Only a portion of the quantities indented for have been received. Balance of supplies is being shipped from Java, England, Germany, etc. The invoices for these supplies have not yet been received and hence accurate figures are not available. However the amount that has till now been paid is included in the total.

Cost of Government—Socialistic state.

215. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to describe exhaustively their speculations about the comparative cost of Government in a socialistic state?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—Government have no data to answer the question.

Concentration of land in the hands of a few.

216. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they intend to cancel the liabilities of ryots of the middle and low ranks to those who command margins of resources over and above the widest field of luxuries so that an effective check may be exercised against the unhealthy concentration of land in the hands of a few.

(b) if they don't, what alternative proposals they have to achieve the object;

(c) whether they are aware that their present system of agricultural loans is quite inefficient with reference to the end in (a);

(d) whether they are aware that a free shelling out on money from the Government Treasury to the ryots under the most lenient conditions can partially avert the evil indicated in (a);

(e) whether they are aware that the 12 per cent interest loans many of our ryots have contracted with some of our predatory private banks and individual owners will absolutely ruin them (ryots) provided our law is to play the parlour-maid to the said banks;

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APPENDIX XV.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 214.)

1105.

Date			Name of Firms.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
4	2	1105	Havero Trading Co.	170	0	0
			R. V. Kamath and Co.	79	0	0
11	2	1105	Trichur Distillery	152	0	0
22	2	1105	do	152	0	0
3	3	1105	Pasteur Institute	90	0	0
			General Electric Co.	120	0	0
			Malghom Bros.	614	0	0
			Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., London £ 400—6—3	5,384	3	9
			Do (Rural dispensaries £ 51—12—9)	694	8	6
20	3	1105	Bichari (cost of dealwood boxes)	18	12	0
21	3	1105	Pasteur Institute	160	0	0
			Laurence and Mayo Ltd.	16	14	0
			Trichur Distillery	152	0	0
15	4	1105	International General Electric Co.	1,714	0	0
			Bombay Surgical Co.	48	0	0
			Malghom Bros.	11	2	0
25	4	1105	Raja D'Mawney and Co.	55	0	0
			Pasteur Institute	110	0	0
			Bombay Surgical Co.	27	0	0
2	5	1105	Do	53	0	0
20	5	1105	Narayanan (packing materials)	22	15	0
26	5	1105	R. V. Kamath and Co.	131	0	0
5	6	1105	Trichur Distillery	152	0	0
13	7	1105	Pasteur Institute	490	0	0
			Natham and Co.	824	0	0
			Havero Trading Co.	1,535	0	0
			S. Koder	42	0	0
			Bombay Surgical Co.	144	0	0
			Dadha and Co.	594	0	0
13	7	1105	Imperial Chemical Industries	594	0	0
13	7	1105	Raja D'Mawney and Co.	275	0	0
			Penitentiary, Madras	5,441	0	0
16	7	1105	Trichur Distillery	152	0	0
27	7	1105	R. V. Kamath and Co.	1,301	0	0
11	8	1105	Malghom Bros.	12	13	0
			Natham and Co.	292	0	0
			Do (Rural dispensaries)	16	6	0
			Pasteur Institute	400	0	0
			Dadha and Co.	70	0	0
15	8	1105	Laurence (cost of dealwood boxes)	41	0	0
			Trichur Distillery	152	0	0
19	8	1105	Ramdass Morrjee	1,231	0	0
28	8	1105	Natham and Co.	84	0	0
3	9	1105	R. V. Kamath and Co.	360	0	0
			P. V. Thomas (packing materials)	13	12	0
9	9	1105	S. Koder	450	0	0
			Dadha and Co. (Rural dispensaries)	450	0	0
13	10	1105	R. V. Kamath and Co.	92	0	0

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15	10	1105	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., London £ 88—10—1	1,194	9	2
			Do Rural £ 0—1—6	1	0	2
			Pasteur Institute	720	0	0
23	10	1105	Trichur Distillery	152	0	0
24	10	1105	Dadha and Co.	1,818	0	0
9	11	1105	Bombay Surgical Co.	4,015	0	0
20	11	1105	Pasteur Institute	420	0	0
3	12	1105	Blacksmith Kumaran	30	0	0
4	12	1105	Pasteur Institute	200	0	0
10	12	1105	Trichur Distillery	152	0	0
28	12	1105	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., Liverpool £ 172—15—1	21,228	0	3
			Pasteur Institute	400	0	0
			K. L. Tharu and Varuthunny	506	0	0
29	12	1105	R. V. Kamath and Co.	397	0	0
			Bombay Surgical Co.	4,038	0	0
			Superintendent of Prisons, Madras	10,821	0	0
			Dadha and Co.	692	0	0
			Raja D'Mawney aed Co.	413	0	0
			Havero Trading Co.	566	0	0
			S. Koder	273	0	0
			Imperial Chemical Industries	360	0	0
			Natham and Co.	1,155	0	0
32	12	1105	Koder, Natham and Co.	5,616	0	0
			Cranganur.			
15	10	1105	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., £ 0—5—3	3	8	7
9	11	1105	Bombay Surgical Co.	51	8	0
28	12	1105	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., £ 40—17—10	551	14	1
			Kuriakutty Dispensary.			
9	11	1105	Bombay Surgical Co.	2	9	0
28	12	1105	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., £ 8—2—4	109	8	10
29	12	1105	Bombay Surgical Co.	3	5	0
			Mental Hospital.			
15	10	1105	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., £ 0—1—6	1	0	2
9	11	1105	Bombay Surgical Co.	26	1	0
25	12	1105	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., £ 23—19—10	323	13	10
			Leper Asylum.			
4	5	1105	Ernakulam Trading Co.	26	0	0
16	7	1105	Natham and Co.	13	8	0
15	10	1105	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., £ 0—14—9	9	15	3
9	11	1105	Bombay Surgical Co.	114	0	0
28	12	1105	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd., £ 42—3—4	569	2	3

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1106.

Date.	Name of Firms.	Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
6 2 1106	Pasteur Institute	390	0	0
	Trichur Distillery	152	0	0
11 2 1106	Malghom Bros.	22	4	0
	Bengal Scientific Apparatus and Minerals Co.	142	0	0
17 2 1106	Trichur Distillery	7	6	0
6 3 1106	Pasteur Institute	360	0	0
	Natham and Co. and Azus and Co	16	8	0
15 3 1106	Dadha and Co.	24	0	0
16 3 1106	Trichur Distillery	159	6	0
28 3 1106	R. V. Kamath and Co.	569	0	0
6 4 1106	Vareed (packing materials)	55	0	0
9 4 1106	Natham and Co.	67	0	0
	Pasteur Institute	340	0	0
10 4 1106	K. T. Mathai (packing materials)	91	0	0
	R. V. Kamath and Co	74	0	0
14 4 1106	Trichur Distillery	159	6	0
16 4 1106	R. V. Kamath and Co.	53	0	0
25 4 1106	Dadha and Co	152	0	0
	Walter Bushrell Ltd.	18	14	0
3 5 1106	Natham and Co.	233	0	0
	D'Costa	8	0	0
4 5 1106	Pasteur Institute	250	0	0
17 5 1106	K. T. Mathai (packing materials)	45	0	0
19 5 1106	Trichur Distillery	159	6	0
10 6 1106	Cochin Club (cost of bottles)	11	12	0
16 6 1106	S. Koder	1,900	0	0
22 6 1106	Natham and Co.	22	4	0
23 6 1106	Malghom Bros.	211	0	0
	Imperial Chemical Industries	271	0	0
	R. V. Kamath and Co.	200	0	0
	Pasteur Institute	350	0	0
	Havero Trading Co.	457	0	0
4 7 1106	Director, Pasteur Institute	380	0	0
7 7 1106	Bombay Surgical Co.	610	0	0
	R. V. Kamath and Co.	146	4	0
16 7 1106	Trichur Distillery	159	6	0
27 7 1106	Bombay Surgical Co. (Order for Rs. 30—4—0 placed by the present Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer)	224	0	0
	Havero Trading Co.	65	4	0
1 8 1106	A. R. Prabhu and Bros.	48	12	0
24 8 1106	Do	56	12	0
	Evans Sons Lescher and Webb Ltd, £ 3—18—9	52	15	3
	R. V. Kamath and Co.	51	0	0
	Bombay Surgical and Co.	91	12	0
	Trichur Distillery	6	0	0
	Pasteur Institute	370	0	0
3 9 1106	Bengal Immunity Co., Ltd.	84	8	0

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6	9	1106	International General Electric Co., Ltd.	10,567	0	0
			Pasteur Institute	1,070	0	0
			Shivji and Co.	104	7	0
7	9	1106	Trichur Distillery	159	6	0
12	9	1106	Malghom Bros.	658	8	0
			Spencer and Co.	23	10	0
			M. D. Vareed	21	0	0
20	9	1106	National Furniture Co.	45	0	0
			D'Costa	116	0	0
			Malghom Bros.	167	4	0
25	9	1106	Valvoline Oil Co.	132	0	0
			R. V. Kamath and Co.	167	1	0
3	10	1106	Down Bros. £. 192—11—0	2,594	5	7
			Dadha and Co.	843	12	0
7	10	1106	Malghom Bros.	501	2	0
21	10	1106	D'Costa	49	0	0
			Pasteur Institute	230	0	0
27	10	1106	Trichur Distillery	207	3	0
5	11	1106	R. V. Kamath and Co.	178	0	0
6	11	1106	Girdhar Javer and Co.	1,849	7	0
			Pasteur Institute	210	0	0
12	11	1106	Spencer and Co.	6	8	0
			International General Electric Co.	169	0	0
20	1	1106	R. V. Kamath and Co.	70	0	0
			D'Costa	12	0	0
29	11	1106	S. Koder	201	4	0
			Shivji and Co.	130	0	0
30	11	1106	Blacksmith Velayudhan	15	0	0
1	12	1106	Trichur Distillery	239	1	0
2	12	1106	R. V. Kamath and Co.	203	13	0
7	12	1106	Do	7	8	0
			Pasteur Institute	380	0	0
13	12	1106	V. P. Anthony	33	12	0
15	12	1106	Parry and Co.	156	12	0
			Haller's Consulting Room	97	9	0
			Akarapathy Plating Works	38	0	0
			Girdhar Javer and Co.	543	6	0
			Mayer and Phelps, London £. 25—4—0	340	11	0
20	12	1106	International General Electric Co., Ltd.	177	7	9
21	12	1106	May and Baker	72	14	0
22	12	1106	Dadha and Co.	64,685	0	0
			Do (Rural)	3,160	15	0
			Trichur Distillery	191	4	0
21	12	1106	United Rubber Export Co.	666	14	0
			A. R. Prabhu and Kunhuvareed	16	14	0
			Mangalam Vareed	42	0	0
			Pasteur Institute	400	0	0
			Dadha and Co.	62	3	0
28	12	1106	S. Koder	669	10	0
			Raja D'Mawney and Co.	1,974	0	0
			Natham and Co.	1,134	4	0
			Cranganur.			
26	4	1106	Bombay Surgical Co.	135	0	0
10	6	1106	Natham and Co.	19	12	0
29	11	1106	Spencer and Co.	10	3	0

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			Leper Asylum.			
10	6	1106	Ernakulam Trading Co.	18	10	0
24	8	1106	Bombay Surgical Co.	120	0	0
22	12	1106	Dadha and Co.	944	15	0
			Mental Hospital			
22	12	1106	Dadha and Co.	372	6	0
			Kuriarkutty Dispensary.			
22	12	1106	Dadha and Co.	126	14	0

APPENDIX XVI.

(Vide answer to Question No. 218.)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DIWAN OF COCHIN.

Development Department.

Read correspondence ending with R. O. C. No. 3509/1105, dated 25th July 1930, from the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer.

And Sarvadhikariakar's communication A. 1616/1105, dated 5th August 1930.

Order C. No. 4249/1105, dated 9th August 1930.

The leave applied for by Dr. Rao is sanctioned.

As regards the acting appointment consequent on the grant of this leave the competing candidates are Messrs. C. L. Joseph and K. Rama Warriar. While the latter is senior in service, the former has got European qualifications. In Diwan's Proceedings C. 2225,/D/ 1095, dated 29th January 1920, it has been stated that the formation of a staff of Civil Surgeons will be recruited mainly if not exclusively from persons with European qualifications. It is clear from the wording of the above Diwan's Proceedings that the rule regarding the recruitment of persons with European qualifications is not an absolute one and that in proper cases deviation could be made. In regard to the orders passed on the Special Finance Committee's Report referred to by the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer, the opinion held him that the rule regarding the recruitment of persons with European qualifications has received additional confirmation is not correct. What is stated in the order is that the resolution to reserve a Civil Surgeon's place for promotion to Assistant Surgeons irrespective of qualifications is not acceptable. Had the resolution been accepted the hands of the Government would have been tied and they are not for such a course. The rule of 1920 therefore holds good and is in no way affected by the order passed on Special Finance Committee's Report.

It is understood that the practice in British India and Travancore is not to bar men without European qualifications from promotion to the Civil Surgeon's grade. This practice does not conflict with the rule of 1920. There is therefore nothing disqualifying Mr. K. Rama Warriar for promotion to the Civil Surgeon's place. The only question then turns upon efficiency and merit. On this point the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer in recommending Mr. C. L. Joseph for appointment as acting Civil Surgeon says, "Assistant Surgeon Warriar was assigned the administrative duties of the Civil Surgeon, on a special allowance while the Surgical work of the Civil Surgeon was carried out by another. There is no outstanding merit or professional attainment of any high order in the case of Mr Warriar to over-ride the general rule and make an exception of his case." Having regard to the view of the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer Government are not in a position to say that Mr. Warriar should be preferred to Mr. C. L. Joseph.

As regards Mr. C. L. Joseph, the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer has not omitted to say that there were culpable flaws of conduct in his case which he had to report to Government. He however thinks that a trial may

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